



Community Development Block Grant Program

Community Facility Category

PURPOSE:

The Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) offers grants to Missouri communities to improve local facilities, address health and safety concerns, and develop a greater capacity for growth. This program assists communities with providing a facility to supply specific services to its citizens.

AUTHORIZATION:

“CDBG” (Community Development Block Grant), funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, administered by the Department of Economic Development (DED).

ELIGIBLE AREAS:

Projects can only be in a “non-entitlement” area - a city under 50,000 in population or a county under 200,000 in population.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS:

Only eligible cities and counties. Cities and counties may apply on behalf of nonprofit organizations.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

Applications that prove a need for the facility to serve a large portion of the public and implement a variety of services and programs will receive consideration.

Education and health/well-being programs are priorities. The facility must establish its ability to sustain the operation long after construction is complete. The Neighborhood Assistance Tax Credit Program and USDA Rural Development are programs where CDBG funds may match a larger project.

At least 51% of the project beneficiaries must be low to moderate-income persons.

PROGRAM BENEFITS/ELIGIBLE USES:

Community facilities, including senior centers, day care centers, community centers, youth centers, 911 services, rural health clinics (facilities without state funding), telecommunications, and others designed to provide a service or group of services from one central location for a prescribed area of residents or users. This may include the infrastructure necessary to support the facility, as well. A local government or non-profit agency must own the facility. It is the responsibility of the city/county applicant to ensure the non-profit status of the entity seeking assistance. The non-profit organization must have adequate operating funds and management structure to successfully operate the facility.

FUNDING LIMITS:

The maximum amount is a total of \$250,000, or \$5,000 per household that would benefit from the facility.

APPLICATION/APPROVAL PROCEDURE:

The application deadline is April 1.

Applications are rated on a point scale based on the need, project impact, local effort and past efforts.

Applications must provide evidence of the ability to adequately operate and maintain the facility for the purpose intended.

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